PTO/SB/05 (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0032 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Attorney Docket No. 24061.80 / TSMC2003-0342 Juann-Jann Jou First Inventor INTERCONNECT STRUCTURE AND Title METHOD FOR ITS FABRICATING

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) EV 333436936 US Express Mail Label No. Mail Stop Patent Application ഗ APPLICATION ELEMENTS Commissioner for Patents ADDRESS TO: P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450 See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. 1. 🔽 Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) 3. 🗹 Specification [Total Pages_ 17 Computer Readable Form (CRF) (preferred arrangement set forth below) Descriptive title of the invention
 Cross Reference to Related Applications b. Specification Sequence Listing on: - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Statements verifying identity of above copies - Detailed Description **ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS** - Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets _ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of 10. (when there is an assignee) Attorney 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets _ 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) a. Newly executed (original or copy) Copies of IDS Information Disclosure 12. Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) 13. Preliminary Amendment (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) 14. (Should be specifically itemized) DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) 15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 16. 🗀 Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. 6. 🗹 Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 17. Other: Express Mail Certificate: Check 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: Prior application information: Examiner Art Unit:

For CONTINUATION OF DIVISIONAL APPS only; The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS OR Correspondence address below Customer Number: 27683 Name David M. O'Dell Haynes and Boone, LLP Address 901 Main Street, Suite 3100 City State |TX Zip Code Dallas 75202 Country Telephone USA 214-651-5000 214-200-0853 Name (Print/Type) David M. Q Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 42,044

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.53(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

Signature

The P	odd not receive on ollowing
listed !	tom(a) (2 18,000 f. 2007 Tilly)
Tat	N= 1328,000 1-120 - 120

PTO/SB/17 (10-03)
Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0032
Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE collection of information unless it displays a valid OMP control with the control wi

FEE TRANS		Compl te if Known		
FEE INAMS	PIVITETAL	Application Number		
for FY 2	2004	Filing Date		
Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are su		First Named Inventor	Juann-Jann Jou	
	<u></u>	Examiner Name		
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Art Unit		
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	(\$) 1,328.00	Attorney Docket No.	24061.80 / TSMC 2003-0343	

	Attorney Bocket No. 24001:007 Telvio 2000-0040		
METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)	FEE CALCULATION (continued)		
Check Credit card Money Other None	3. ADDITIONAL FEES		
Deposit Account:	Large Entity Small Entity		
Deposit 00 400 4	Fee Fee Fee Fee Fee Description	Con Daid	
Account Number	1051 130 2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	Fee Paid	
Deposit Account Haynes and Boone, LLP	1052 50 2052 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or		
Name	cover sheet		
The Director is authorized to: (check all that apply)	1053 130 1053 130 Non-English specification 1812 2,520 1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination		
Charge fee(s) indicated below		 	
Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s)	1804 920* 1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action		
Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee	1805 1,840* 1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after		
to the above-identified deposit account.	Examiner action		
FEE CALCULATION	1251 110 2251 55 Extension for reply within first month		
1. BASIC FILING FEE	1252 420 2252 210 Extension for reply within second month		
Large Entity Small Entity Fee Fee Fee Fee Fee Description Fee Paid	1253 950 2253 475 Extension for reply within third month	-	
Code (\$) Code (\$)	1254 1,480 2254 740 Extension for reply within fourth month		
1001 770 2001 385 Utility filing fee 770.00	1255 2,010 2255 1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month		
1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee	1401 330 2401 165 Notice of Appeal		
1003 530 2003 265 Plant filing fee	1402 330 2402 165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	<u> </u>	
1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee	1403 290 2403 145 Request for oral hearing		
1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee	1451 1,510 1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding		
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 770.00	1452 110 2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable		
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1453 1,330 2453 665 Petition to revive - unintentional		
Fee from _	1301 1,330 2301 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)		
Extra Claims below Fee Paid Total Claims 51 -20** = 31 x 18 = 558.00	1502 480 2502 240 Design issue fee		
Total Claims 51 -20** = 31 x 18 = 558.00	1503 640 2503 320 Plant issue fee		
Claims S - 3" = U X 00 = S Multiple Dependent	1460 130 1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner		
	1807 50 1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)		
Large Entity Small Entity Fee Fee Fee Fee Fee Description	1806 180 1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt		
Code (\$) Code (\$)	8021 40 8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)		
1202 18 2202 9 Claims in excess of 20 1201 86 2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3	1809 770 2809 385 Filing a submission after final rejection		
1201 86 2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3 1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	(37 CFR 1.129(a))	<u> </u>	
1204 86 2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims	1810 770 2810 385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	<u> </u>	
over original patent	1801 770 2801 385 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		
1205 18 2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	1802 900 1802 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	-	
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) 558.00	Other fee (specify)		
SUBTOTAL (2) [(\$) 558.00 **or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above	*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid SUBTOTAL (3) (\$) 0.00		
para, in ground, it of recibilities, see above	<u> </u>	1 /	

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.27. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)

42,044

SUBMITTED BY

Name (Print/Type)

Signature

David M. A'Dell

(Complete (if applicable))

Date

Telephone 214-651-5000

-5-04

INTERCONNECT STRUCTURE AND METHOD FOR ITS FABRICATING

Inventors:

Juann-Jann Jou No. 36, Guoyi Village, Liouying Township, Tainan County 736, Taiwan, R.O.C. Citizenship: Taiwan, R.O.C.

Yu-Hua Lee 8F-1, No. 66, Minde Rd., Chu Tung Township, Hsinchu County, Taiwan, R.O.C. Citizenship: Taiwan, R.O.C.

Chin-Tien Yang No. 24, Yonghua St., DeXing Village, Meinong Township, Kaohsiung County 843, Taiwan, R.O.C. Citizenship: Taiwan, R.O.C.

Chia-Hong Lai No. 326, Sec. 1, Liaoning Rd., Beitun District, Taichung City 406, Taiwan, R.O.C. Citizenship: Taiwan, R.O.C.

Connie Hsu

No. 18, Jhongjheng Rd., Gangdong Village, Kouhu Township, Yunlin County 653, Taiwan, R.O.C.

Citizenship: Taiwan, R.O.C.

Mu Yi Lin No. 10, Taiyuan 6th St., North District, Taichung City 404, Taiwan, R.O.C. Citizenship: Taiwan, R.O.C.

Min Cao No. 97, Alley 18, Lane 85 Hsin-Chu, Taiwan, R.O.C. Citizenship: U.S.A.

Chia-Yu Ku 4F-3, No. 124, Lane 216, Jhongjheng Rd., Banciao City, Taipei County 220, Taiwan, R.O.C. Citizenship: Taiwan, R.O.C.

Yuh Da Fan 2F, No. 101, San Ming Rd., Shin Chu City, Taiwan, R.O.C. Citizenship: Taiwan, R.O.C.

Assignee:

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company, Ltd. No. 8, Li-Hsin Rd. 6, Science-Based Industrial Park Hsin-Chu, Taiwan, 300-77, R.O.C.

HAYNES AND BOONE, LLP 901 Main Street, Suite 3100 Dallas, Texas 75202-3789 (214) 651-5000 (214) 200-0853 - Fax Attorney Docket No. 24061.80 Client Reference No. TSMC2003-0343

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Jou et al.

Serial No. Unknown

Serial No. Unknown

Filed: Herewith

For: INTERCONNECT STRUCTURE AND

METHOD FOR ITS FABRICATING

SGroup Art Unit: Unknown

Examiner: Unknown

S

Examiner: Unknown

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Express Mail Number: EV 333436936 US

Date of Deposit: February 5, 2004

I hereby certify that the following attached papers and fee:

- 1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal;
- 2. Fee Transmittal (in duplicate);
- 3. Application Data Sheet;
- 4. Patent Application consisting of 9 pages of specification, 51 claims and 1 page Abstract of Disclosure;
- 5. Eight (8) drawing sheets;
- 6. Executed Declaration;
- 7. Executed Assignment and Recordation Form;
- 8. Check in the amount of \$788.00; and
- 9. Return Postcard

are being deposited with United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" to the Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Bonnie Boyle

Typed or Printed Name

Signature

R-66456.1